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Identical letters dated 17 March 2003 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and to the President of the Security Council

On instructions from my Government, I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the daily report for 17 March 2003 on the activities of the inspection teams of the United Nations Monitoring, Verification and Inspection Commission (UNMOVIC) and the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in Iraq (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Activities of the UNMOVIC and IAEA inspection teams in Iraq

Inspection activities on 17 March 2003

I. UNMOVIC joint inspection team in Baghdad

The team left the Canal Hotel in Baghdad at 9 a.m. and travelled to the site of an anti-aircraft unit located in the Al-'Adl quarter of Baghdad. The team asked questions about the number of tagged missiles and examined damaged missiles. Upon completion of its mission, which lasted 45 minutes, the team returned to the Canal Hotel.

II. UNMOVIC missile inspection team

(a) A first group left the Canal Hotel in Baghdad at 8.30 a.m. and travelled to the site of the Dhat al-Sawari Technical Battalion, where it observed the destruction of two Al Samoud 2 missiles and five warheads. Upon completion of its mission, which lasted three hours, the group returned to the Canal Hotel.

(b) The second group left the Canal Hotel at 8.30 a.m. and travelled to the site of the Ibn al-Haytham factory, which is part of the Al-Karamah Company. The group photographed the fragments of the Al-Hussein missiles that had been destroyed in 1991 and, after completing its mission, which lasted 3 hours and 45 minutes, returned to the Canal Hotel.

(c) The third group departed the Canal Hotel at 8.30 a.m. for the site of the Al-Karamah State Company in the Waziriya district, where it supervised the deletion of electronic files related to the Al Samoud 2 missile, collected and burnt the missile plens and inspected the building of the engineering department. Upon completion of its assignment, which lasted one and a half hours, the group returned to the Canal Hotel.

III. UNMOVIC inspection team (biological)

The team left the Canal Hotel at 8.30 a.m. and travelled to the site of the privately owned Tikrit Dairy Products Company in the city of Tikrit, where it asked questions about the company, its owners, the types of bacteria used in the manufacture of the dairy products and the tests carried out on the finished products. Upon completion of its mission, which lasted two hours, the team returned to the Canal Hotel.

IV. UNMOVIC inspection team (chemical)

The team left the Canal Hotel at 8.45 a.m. and travelled to the site of the Ibn Sina State Company, affiliated with the Military Industrialization Corporation (MIC), where it inspected all the company's facilities and employed an X-ray machine to identify metals. Upon completion of its mission, which lasted four hours, the team returned to the Canal Hotel.

V. UNMOVIC joint inspection team in Mosul

The team left the Nineveh Palace Hotel at 9 a.m. and travelled to the University of Mosul and then to the headquarters of the Iraqi National Union of Students (Mosul branch), where it interviewed a number of officials and inspected the building housing the Union's offices. Upon completion of its mission, which lasted one hour, the team returned to the Nineveh Palace Hotel.

VI. Mirage aircraft

At 10.15 a.m., a Mirage-4 reconnaissance aircraft penetrated Iraqi airspace and overflew various regions of the country for a period of one and a half hours. The aircraft departed Iraqi airspace at 11.45 a.m.

VII. Interview

UNMOVIC requested to meet with an Iraqi expert in a Baghdad hotel. The National Surveillance Department encouraged the expert in question to meet with the inspectors and informed him of the venue and time that had been agreed. The meeting was held.